

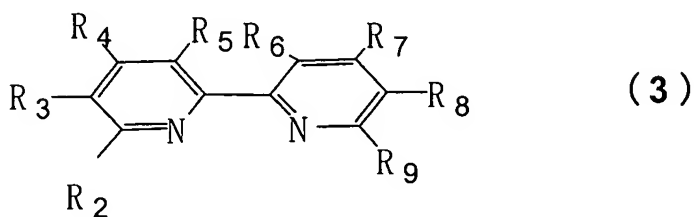
## AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

### IN THE SPECIFICATION:

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Please amend the Specification on page 11 beginning at line 8 and continuing onto page 12 as follows:

Examples of the nitrogen-containing aromatic compounds used in the present invention include compounds having a nitrogen-containing aromatic ring containing a nitrogen atom as the constituting element such as a pyridine and quinoline ring, in more detail, non-bidentate nitrogen-containing aromatic compounds (for example, the nitrogen-containing aromatic compound selected from quinoline, 2-chloroquinoline, 4-nitroquinoline, pyridine, collidine, methyl nicotinate, isoquinoline and the like), and bidentate nitrogen-containing compounds represented by the formula (3):



wherein  $R_2$ ,  $R_3$ ,  $R_4$ ,  $R_5$ ,  $R_6$ ,  $R_7$ ,  $R_8$  and  $R_9$  are the same or different, and independently represent a hydrogen atom, an optionally substituted alkyl group, an optionally substituted alkoxy group, an optionally substituted aryl group, an optionally substituted aryloxy group, an optionally substituted aralkyl group, an optionally substituted aralkyloxy group, an optionally substituted alkenyl group, a halogen atom, a nitro group, a cyano group, an optionally substituted acyl group, a sulfo group or an optionally substituted alkoxycarbonyl group; provided

that, R<sub>2</sub> and R<sub>3</sub>, R<sub>3</sub> and R<sub>4</sub>, R<sub>4</sub> and R<sub>5</sub>, R<sub>5</sub> and  $[[R_5, R_5]]$  R<sub>6</sub>, R<sub>6</sub> and R<sub>7</sub>, R<sub>7</sub> and R<sub>8</sub>, or R<sub>8</sub> and R<sub>9</sub> may be bonded to form a part of the ring structure containing the aromatic ring.